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CHAPTER 325

(House Bill 738)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Pedestrian Right-of-Way - Crosswalks

FOR the purpose of altering a provision of law to require the driver of a vehicle to stop when a pedestrian crossing a roadway in a crosswalk is approaching from an adjacent lane on the other half of the roadway; and generally relating to a driver's duties with respect to pedestrians in a crosswalk.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 21–502(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

21-502.

- (a) (1) This subsection does not apply where:
- (i) A pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing is provided, as described in § 21-503(b) of this subtitle; or
 - (ii) A traffic control signal is in operation.
- (2) The driver of a vehicle shall come to a stop when a pedestrian crossing the roadway in a crosswalk is:
 - (i) On the half of the roadway on which the vehicle is traveling; or
- (ii) Approaching [so closely] from \underline{AN} ADJACENT LANE \underline{ON} the other half of the roadway [as to be in danger].

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

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